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A low-angle photograph of a forest at night. The dark, bare branches of tall trees reach upwards, silhouetted against a deep blue night sky filled with numerous bright, twinkling stars. The perspective creates a sense of height and looking up.

# In the Sky





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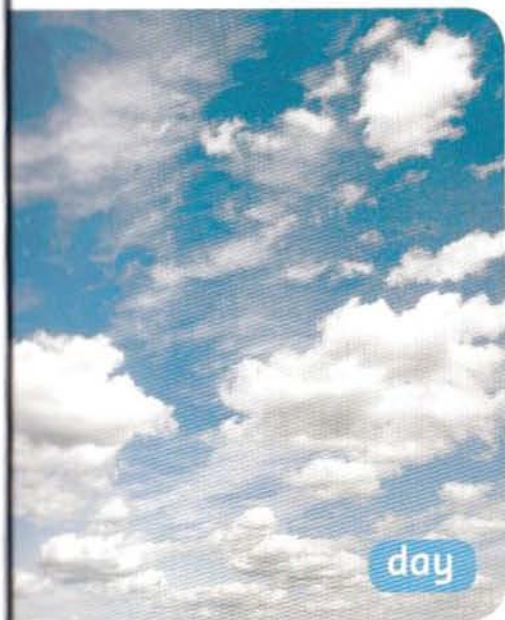
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# Introduction

Go outside and look up. What can you see? You can see the sky. The sky is above you.



day



night

Look at the sky. Is it day or night?  
What can you see in the sky?



Now read and discover  
more about the sky!



# The Sky



## In the Day

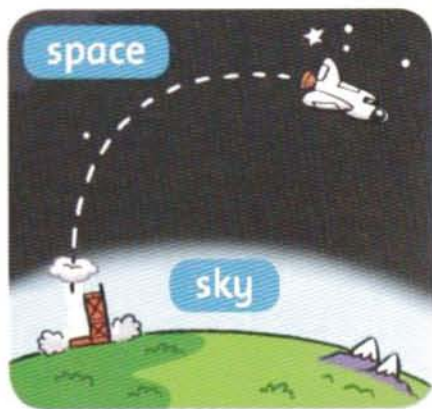
Look at the sky in the day. What color is it? Can you see clouds? When it's sunny, the sky is blue. Clouds are white or gray. Sometimes you can see birds and planes. They fly in the sky.



A Rainbow

Sometimes when it's sunny and rainy, you can see a rainbow in the sky. How many colors can you see?

A spacecraft goes up into the sky. Then it goes into space. Space is dark and very big.





# 2

## At Night

At night the sky is dark. You can see the moon. The moon is a big ball of rock.

Sometimes you see a round moon. This is called a full moon. Sometimes you see different shapes. A thin moon is called a crescent moon.

A Full Moon



A Crescent Moon







## Stars

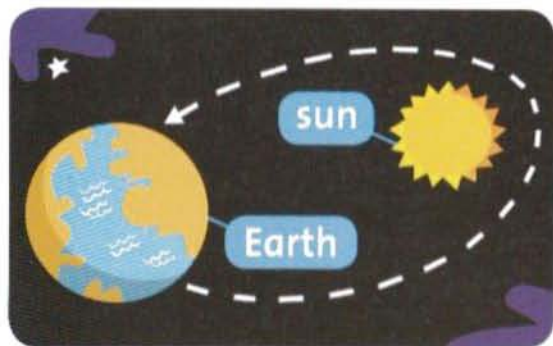
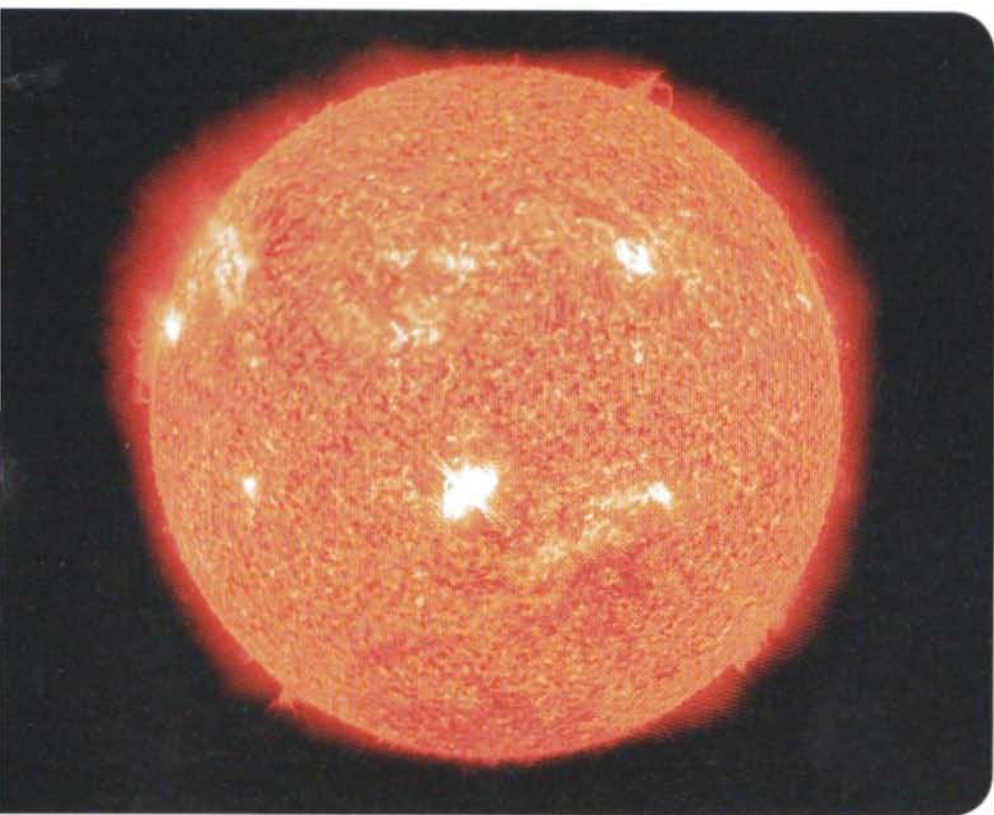
You can see stars at night, too.  
Stars are big, hot balls of fire.  
They look very little because they  
are far out in space. Sometimes  
you can see planets, too.



planet



# The Sun



Do you know the sun is a star? It's our star. We live on a planet called Earth. Earth goes around the sun.

The sun shines in the sky. It gives our planet light. Don't look at the sun. It isn't good for your eyes.

The sun is very, very hot. It makes our planet warm so we can live here.



We get electricity from the sun! Light from the sun shines on solar panels. This makes electricity.

A photograph of several rows of blue solar panels tilted towards a bright sun in a clear blue sky. The sun is positioned in the upper right, creating a strong lens flare effect over the panels.

solar panel



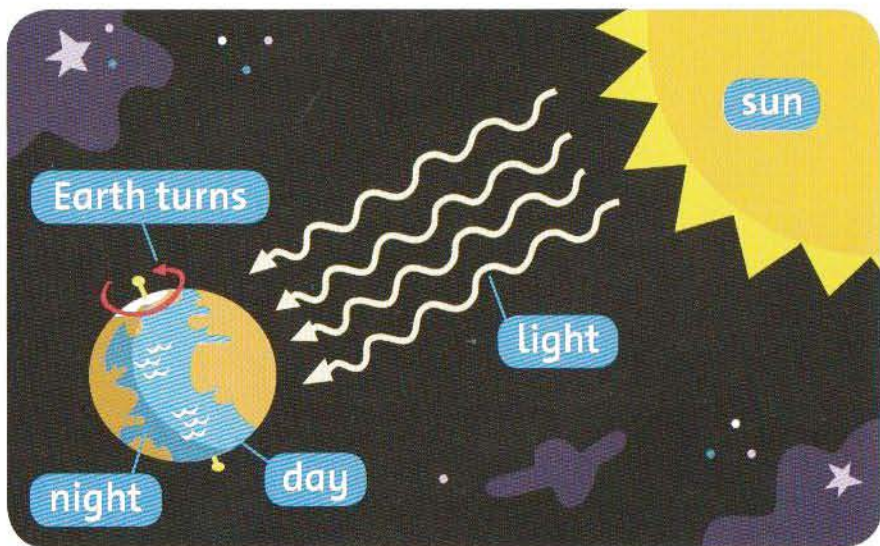


# Day and Night

Sometimes it's day and sometimes it's night. That's because Earth turns.

When your place on Earth turns toward the sun, you see light from the sun. This is day.

When your place turns away from the sun, you don't see light from the sun. This is night. Then Earth turns and it's day again.





In the Day



At Night

At night it's dark. It's dark in parks and gardens. It's dark in homes, too. People make light with electricity or candles. Is it dark when you go to bed?

➔ Go to page 23 for activities.





# Stars

Stars can look red, orange, yellow, blue, or white. The sun is a yellow star. You can see patterns of stars in the sky. The patterns are called constellations.

With a telescope, you can see more stars. The Hubble Space Telescope is a very big telescope out in space. It takes photos of stars.

## The Hubble Space Telescope







## A Galaxy

A galaxy is lots of stars. There are many millions of stars in one galaxy. Our galaxy is called The Milky Way.



Old stars don't live for ever, but there are new stars, too!



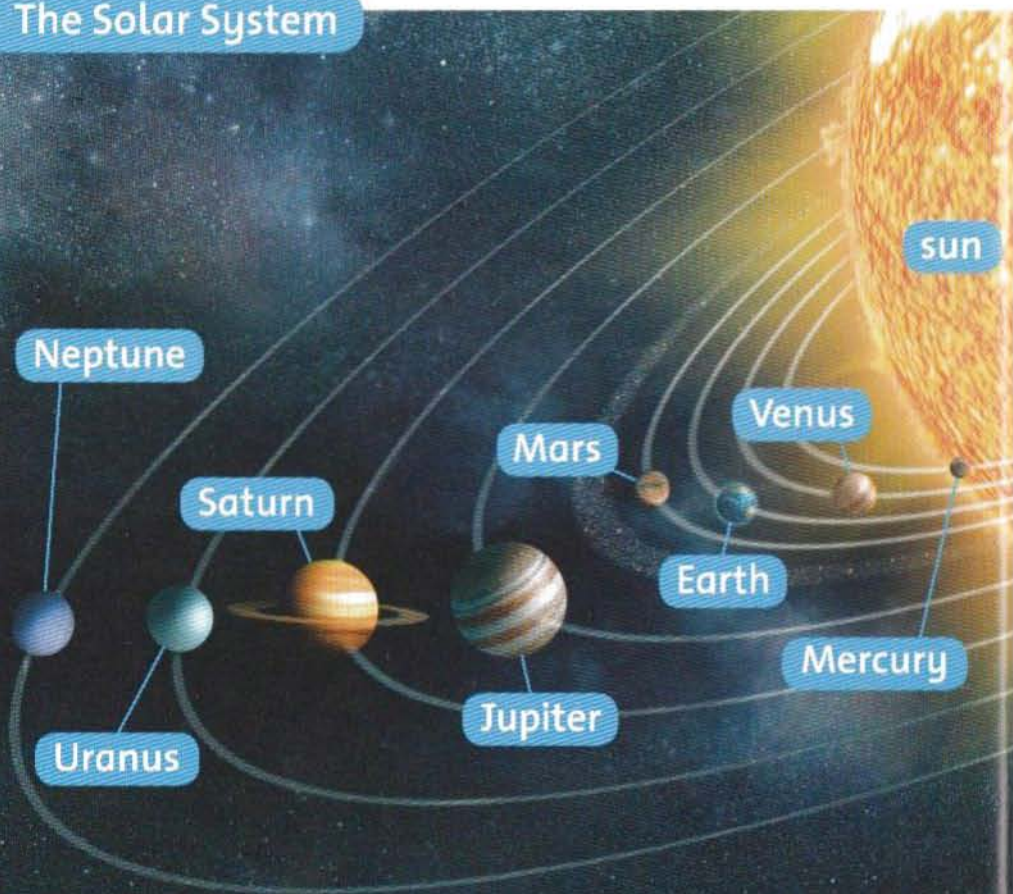
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# 6

# Planets

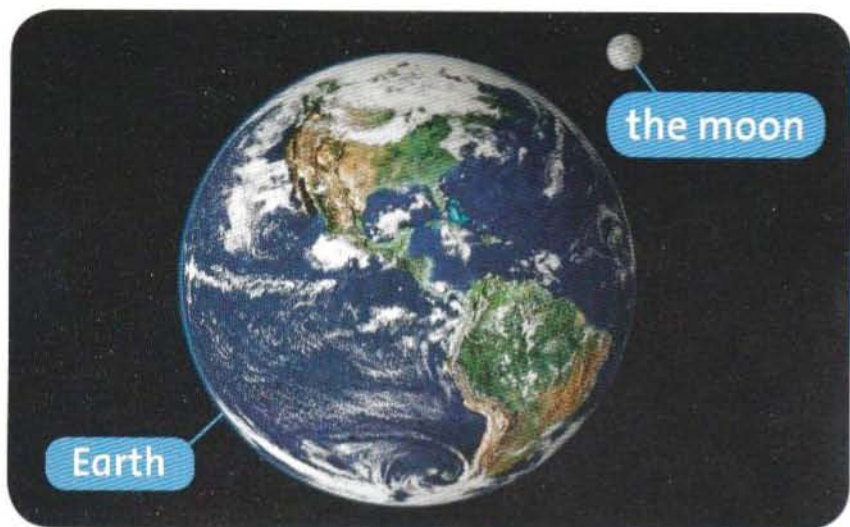
A planet goes around a star.  
Eight planets go around the sun.  
The sun and its planets are  
called the solar system.

## The Solar System





The planets are all different.  
Jupiter is big and Mercury is little.  
Venus is hot and Neptune is cold.  
Saturn has lots of rings.



Many planets have moons. A moon goes around a planet. Earth has one moon. We call it the moon. Some planets have lots of moons.



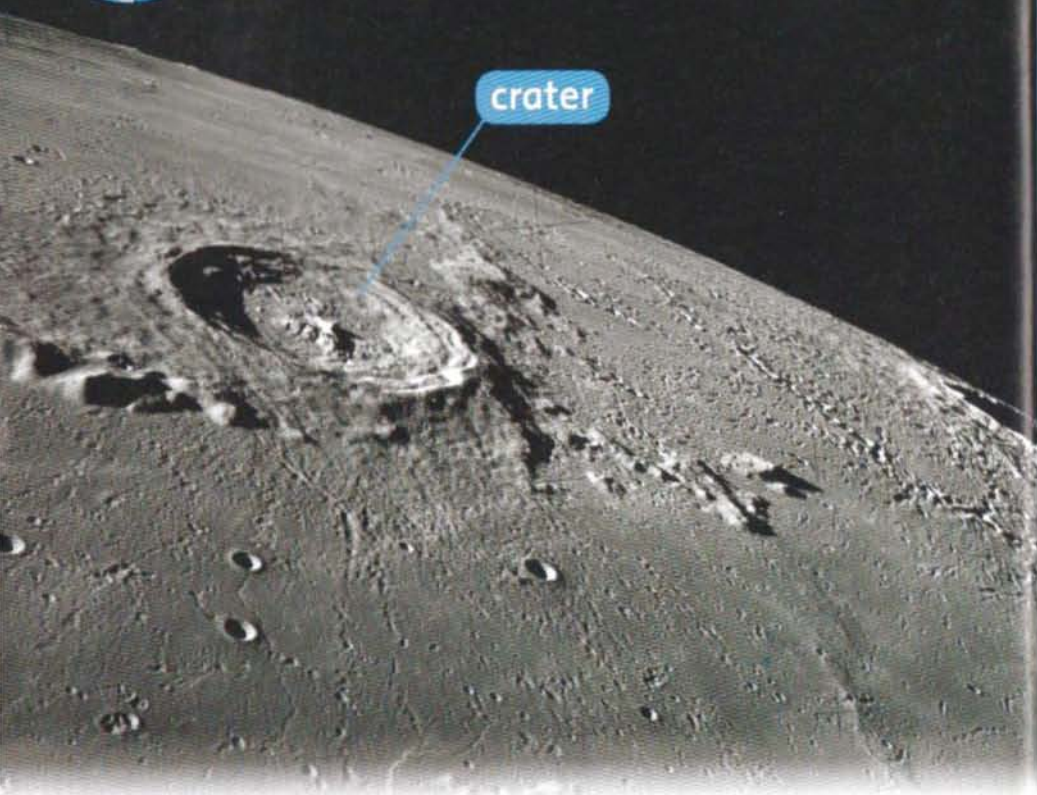
The planet Saturn has about 60 moons!







# On the Moon



On the moon there's dust and rock. There are tall mountains, and big holes called craters. There's black space all around, and no blue sky. There's no weather because there's no sky. It's hot in the day and it's cold at night.



tank

An Astronaut

Astronauts can go to the moon. This astronaut is on the moon. How amazing! He has a space suit and he breathes air from a tank.



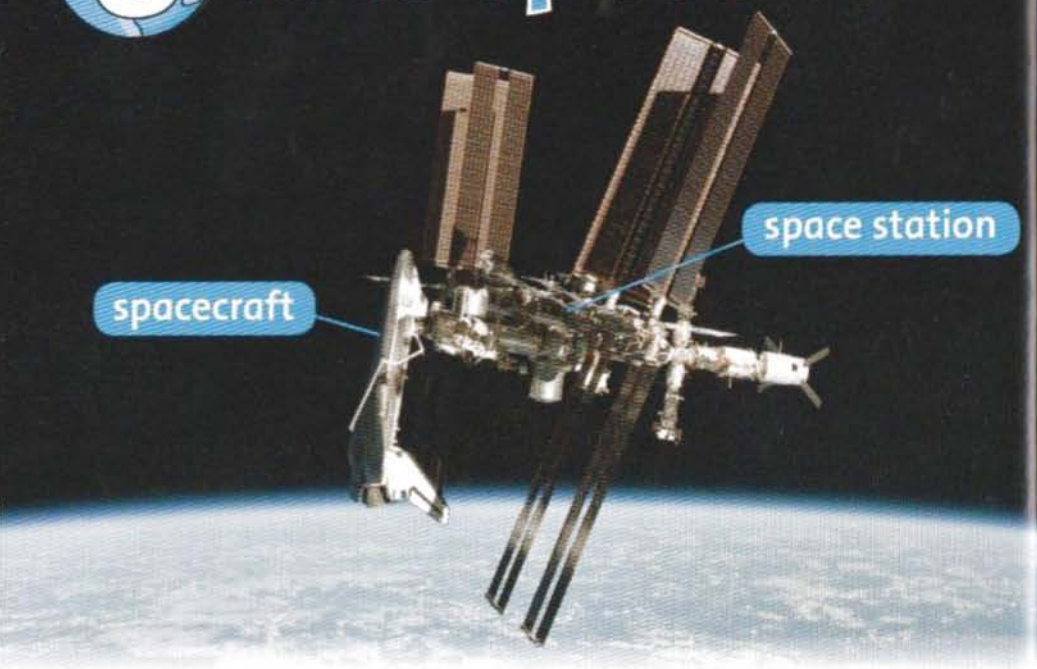
Footprints are on the moon for a million years! There's no wind to blow them away.





## 8

## Into Space



Astronauts go into space. They go in a spacecraft.

## Astronauts



Astronauts can live in space. They live in a space station. They look at Earth and learn about it.



Spacecraft with no people in them go into space, too. Some spacecraft take photos of Earth and space. Some spacecraft go to other planets so we can learn about them.

Maybe one day you can go into space, too!

A spacecraft



## 1

## The Sky

← Read pages 4–5.

## 1 Write the words.

sky spacecraft cloud  
plane ~~bird~~ rainbow



1 bird



2 \_\_\_\_\_



3 \_\_\_\_\_



4 \_\_\_\_\_



5 \_\_\_\_\_



6 \_\_\_\_\_

## 2 Complete the sentences.

big sky rainbow space

- 1 A spacecraft goes up into the sky.  
Then it goes into \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2 Space is dark and very \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 Sometimes when it's sunny and rainy,  
you can see a \_\_\_\_\_.

## 2

## At Night

← Read pages 6–7.

1 Write *true* or *false*.

- 1 In the day the sky is dark. false
- 2 At night you can see the moon. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 The moon is a big ball of fire. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 A round moon is called a full moon. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 A fat moon is called a crescent moon. \_\_\_\_\_

## 2 Write the words. Then match.

1 on<sup>o</sup>m

moon

2 rasst

3 orkc

4 reif





# 3

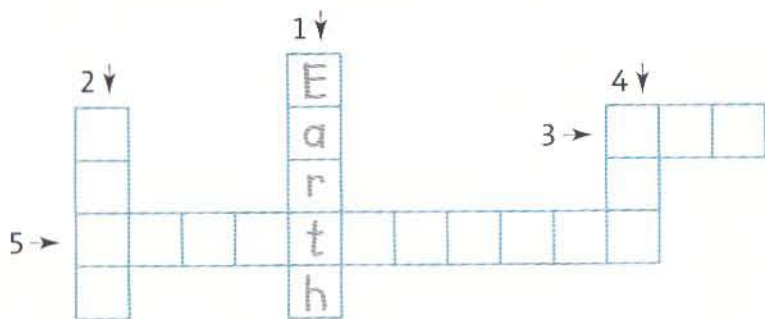
## The Sun

← Read pages 8–9.

### 1 Circle the correct words.

- 1 The sun is a planet / star.
- 2 We live on a planet called Earth / eyes.
- 3 Earth goes around the moon / sun.
- 4 The sun is very, very hot / cold.
- 5 Look / Don't look at the sun.

### 2 Complete the puzzle.



1



2



3



4



5

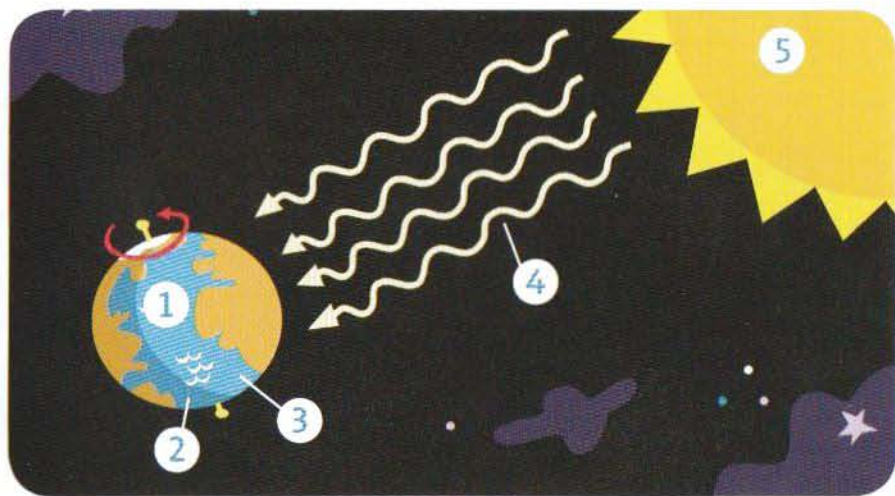
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## Day and Night

← Read pages 10–11.

## 1 Write the words.

sun   day   light  
Earth   night



1 \_\_\_\_\_ 2 \_\_\_\_\_ 3 \_\_\_\_\_

4 \_\_\_\_\_ 5 \_\_\_\_\_

2 Write *true* or *false*.

1 Earth turns. \_\_\_\_\_

2 In the day, you don't see light from the sun. \_\_\_\_\_

3 At night you see the sun. \_\_\_\_\_

4 People make light with electricity. \_\_\_\_\_

← Read pages 12–13.



# 1 Find and write the words.

g	a	p	h	o	t	o	x	y
t	e	l	i	l	y	s	o	t
c	o	p	g	a	l	a	x	y
s	t	a	r	s	s	t	r	n
p	a	t	t	e	r	n	l	t
t	e	l	e	s	c	o	p	e

1 stars



2 t



3 g

4 p

5 p



# 2 Circle the correct words.

- 1 The sun is a red / yellow star.
- 2 Patterns of stars are called constellations / photos.
- 3 With a pattern / telescope, you can see more stars.
- 4 The Milky Way is our galaxy / sun.

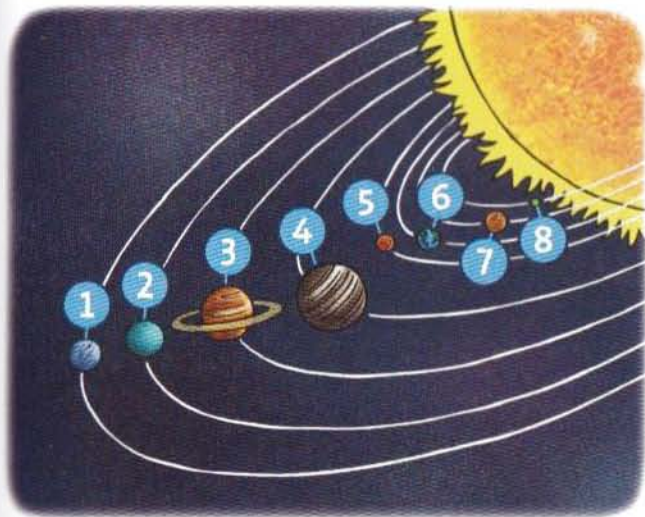


# 6 Planets

← Read pages 14–15.

Venus   Mercury  
Neptune   Earth   Saturn  
Jupiter   Mars   Uranus

1 Write the words.



- 1 \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 \_\_\_\_\_

2 Complete the sentences.

one   solar   Saturn   Eight

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_ planets go around our sun.
- 2 The sun and its planets are called the \_\_\_\_\_ system.
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_ has lots of rings.
- 4 Earth has \_\_\_\_\_ moon.

# 7

## On the Moon

← Read pages 16–17.

1 Write the words.

hole breathe rock  
dust wind mountains



1

2



3



4

5



6



2 Match. Then write the sentences.

Astronauts can go to  
Astronauts have  
Astronauts breathe air

space suits.  
from a tank.  
the moon.

1 Astronauts can go to the moon.

2

3

## 8

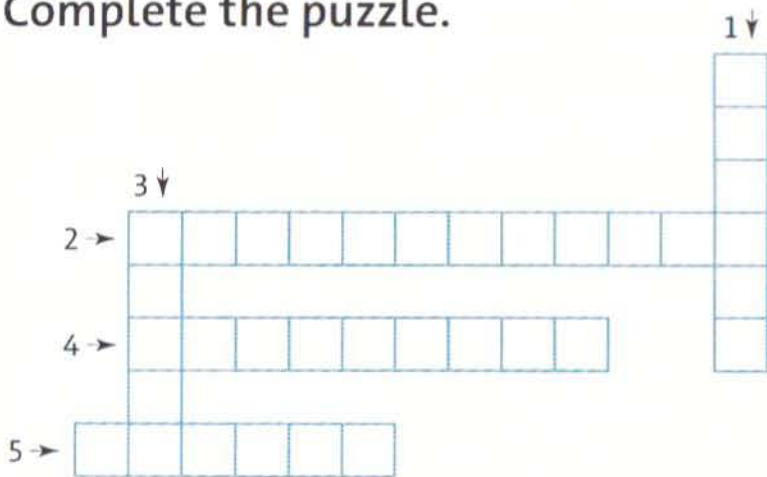
## Into Space

← Read pages 18–19.

- 1 Complete the sentences.
- photos    planets  
station    space

- Astronauts go into \_\_\_\_\_ in a spacecraft.
- Some spacecraft take \_\_\_\_\_.
- Some spacecraft go to other \_\_\_\_\_.
- Astronauts live in a space \_\_\_\_\_.

- 2 Complete the puzzle.



1



2



3



4



5





# The Sky Where I Live

- 1** Look at the sky in the day. Complete the chart.

	Day 1	Day 2
What color is the sky?		
Are there clouds?		
Are there birds?		
Can you see the sun?		
What other things can you see?		

- 2** Look at the sky at night. Complete the chart.

	Night 1	Night 2
What color is the sky?		
Can you see any lights?		
Is there a moon?		
Are there stars?		
What other things can you see?		

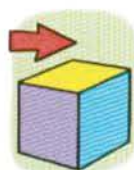
- 3** Look at your charts. Find or draw pictures and write sentences about the sky.

In the day the sky is

There are

At night

# Picture Dictionary



above



air



around



bed



blow



breathe



candle



dark



dust



Earth



electricity



far



fire



hole



light

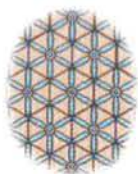


million





mountains



pattern



photo



plane



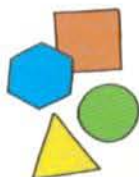
planet



ring



rock



shapes



sky



space



spacecraft



space suit



sun



telescope



up



warm



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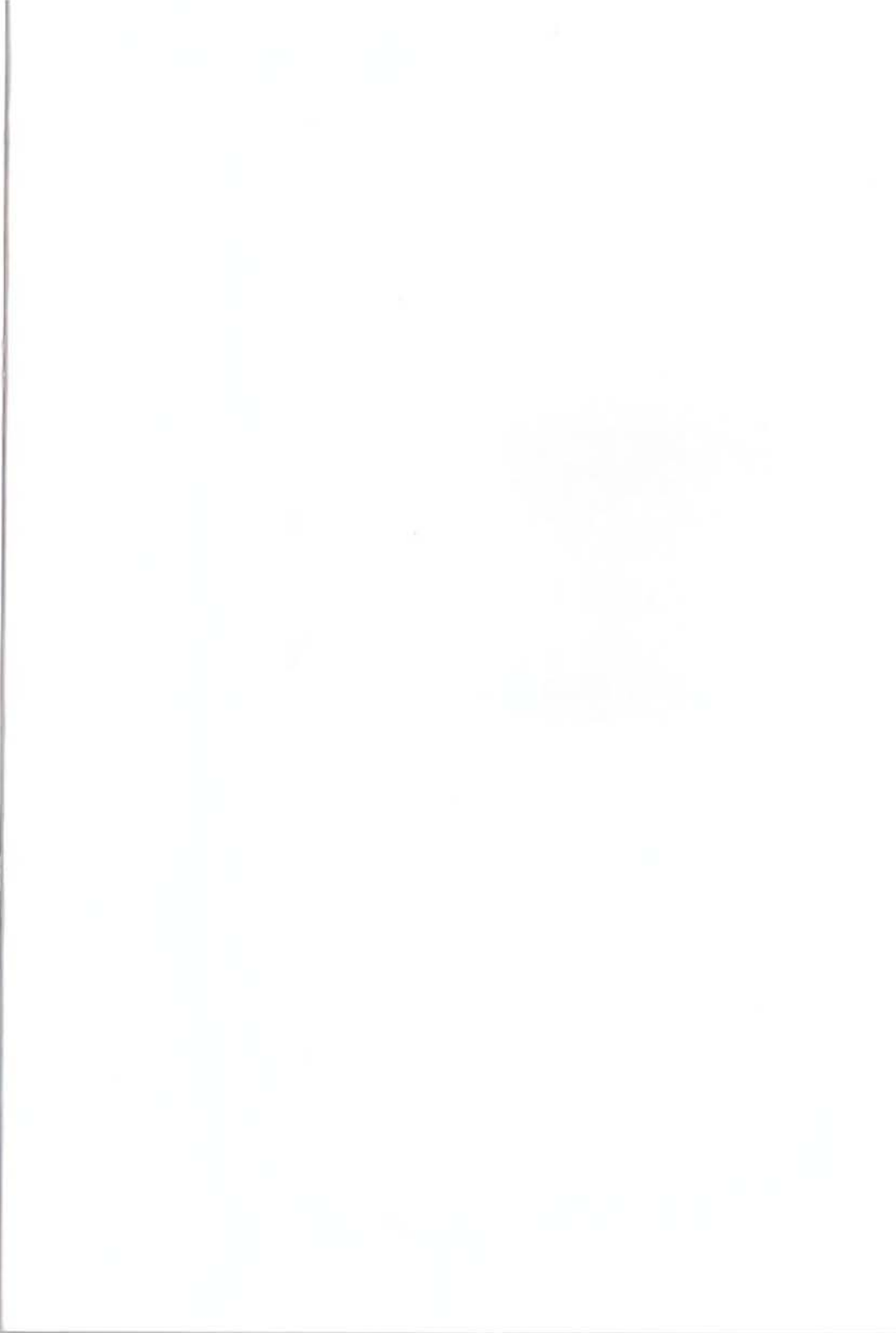
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